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# Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources

May 17, 2022



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# Employment, Contracts and Procurement Updates May 17, 2022

# Employment Updates

- Will Larsen – Contractor with Shellfish Bureau - Marine Fisheries – 02.14.22
- Dakota Ladner – Contractor with Finfish Bureau – Marine Fisheries – 04.26.22
- Cori Malagarie – Procurement Officer I – Finance – 05.02.22
- Michele Marroy – Procurement Officer II – Finance – 02.01.22
- Daniel Boyer – Senior Master Sergeant – Marine Patrol – 02.16.22
- Matt Hill – Deputy Office Director – Marine Fisheries – 02.16.22
- Trevor Moncrief – Finfish Bureau Director – Marine Fisheries – 03.01.22
- Matt Murphy – Biological Program Coordinator – Coastal Resource Management – 03.01.22
- Alicia Carron – Scientist V – Marine Fisheries – 03.01.22
- Jack Husley – Law Enforcement Officer II (Senior Master Sergeant) – 04.01.22
- Madison Parker – Environmental/Natural Resources Specialist II (Shellfish Scientist) – Marine Fisheries – 05.01.22
- Jada Whittington – Law Enforcement Officer III (Senior Master Sergeant) - Marine Patrol – May 1, 2022

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# Contracts and Procurements for May 2022

<b>Commodity Contracts</b>					
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Procurement Method</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Commodity/Service Description</u>
Central Florida Yamaha	IFB	72,351.00	24 Months	Port Security-Gulfport	3- 400Hp Outboards for the Dewey
<b>Service Contracts</b>					
<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Procurement Method</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Commodity/Service Description</u>
Cypress Environment	Exempt Engineering Services	428,340.00	60 Months	DMR - CZM - NOAA - FY 22 - Section 309	Engineering Services for Beneficial Use Program





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# Actions Update

## May 17, 2022

# Motions Passed at the February 2022 meeting:

Director approved the following motions and actions:

- 1) Motion to recommend approval of the Jackson County Board of Supervisor's Resolution requesting the Menhaden Fishery be limited to 1-mile offshore in Jackson County, MS.
- 2) Motion to recommend to the Executive Director that the proposed changes to Title 22, combined Parts 4 & 21 (Crabs) be forwarded to the Secretary of State's Office for Notice of Intent. No comments were received and Title 22 Part 4 was sent to the SOS office for adoption.
- 3) Motion to recommend to the Executive Director that the proposed changes to Title 22, combined Parts 3, 5, & 7 (Finfish) be forwarded to the Secretary of State's Office for Notice of Intent. No comments were received and Title 22 Part 3 was sent to the SOS office for adoption.



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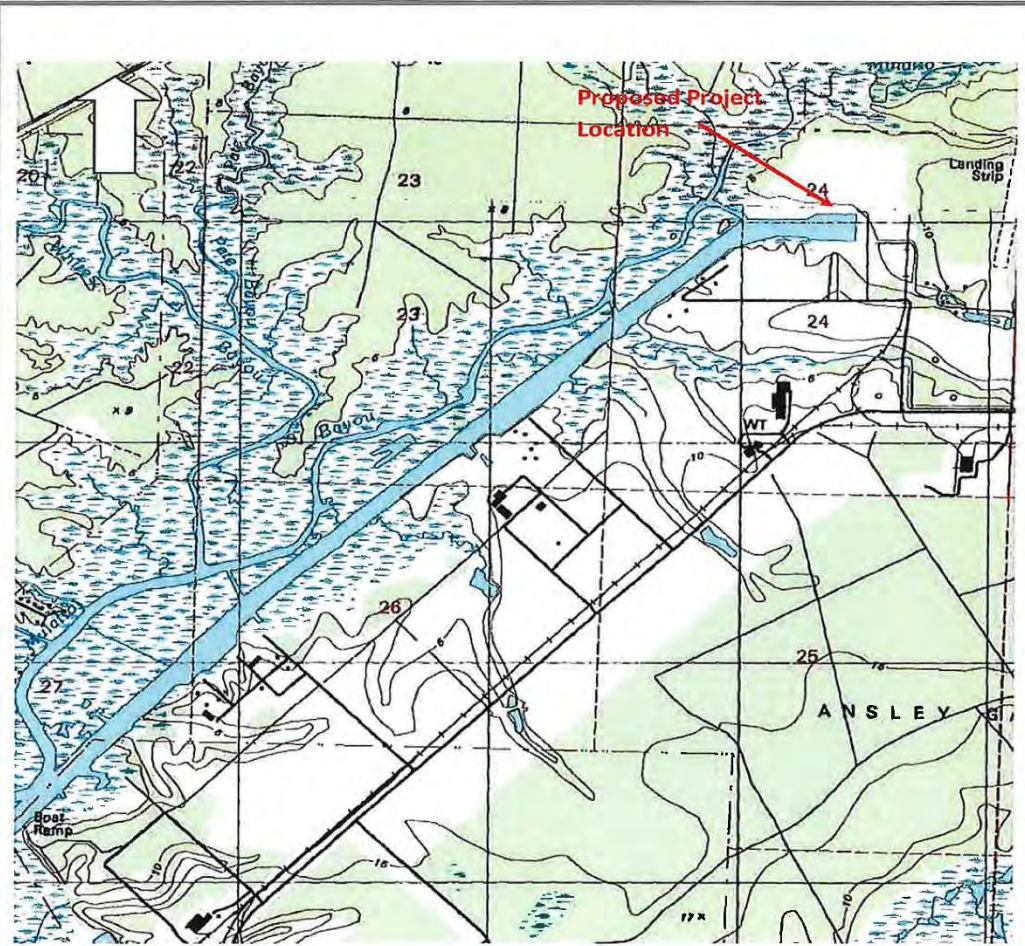
**Coastal Zone Consistency Determination by:  
Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission  
DMR21-000436**

- **Location: On the Port Bienville Industrial Canal in Pearlinton, Hancock County, MS.**
- **Use District: (I) Industrial Development Use District**
- **Agent: Compton Engineering, P.A.**

# Project Description

- **Wetland Impacts:**
  - Excavation of 0.09 acre of tidal emergent vegetation
  - The applicant proposes to mitigate for impacts to wetlands by using excess credits generated from mitigation activities from a larger project (DMR-180249) authorized in 2020 just west of the project site on the same waterway.
- **Structures:**
  - 545 linear feet of riprap
  - A pier 33' x 5'
  - A pier 17' x 5'
  - Four (4), mooring dolphins
- **Dredging**
  - 400' x 100'
  - Existing depth: approximately 5' below MLW
  - Proposed depth: 12' below MLW
  - Approximately 7,400 cubic yards of material will be removed





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 Biloxi, Mississippi 39530  
 Phone: (228) 432-2133 Fax: (228) 432-8149  
 E-mail: [compton@comptonengineering.com](mailto:compton@comptonengineering.com)

Site: Public Docks Mooring Dolphins  
 Road C1 - Port Bienville Industrial Park  
 Hancock County, MS

Figure Title: **Site Location Aerial** (Map Source: Google Earth)

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Site: Public Dock Mooring Dolphins  
Road C1 - Port Bienville Industrial Park  
Hancock County, MS

Figure Title: **Site Location Aerial** (Map Source: Google Earth)

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# Applicable Decision Factors

- **Variance to the MS Coastal Program...**
  - **Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 106.03**
    - **Alignments must avoid sensitive coastal wetlands, nursery and spawning areas, and archeological and historical sites....”**
  - **This variance request was justified under under Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 118.04**
    - **The activity requires a waterfront location; there is a significant public benefit in the activity; and a public hearing was held.**

# Applicable Decision Factors

continued

- **Comments...**
  - **Public Notice**
    - Notification of this project appeared in the *Sun Herald* on January 31, February 6, and February 13, 2022
      - No public comments were received
  - **Public hearing was held on Thursday, March 15, 2022**
    - No Public comments were received
  - **MS DEQ: No comments**
  - **MS DAH: No comments**
  - **MS DWFP: No comments**
  - **MS SOS: Historic MHW boundary could not be located/determined in this area**

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# Recommendation

- **The staff of the Department of Marine Resources has conducted a thorough evaluation of the project and has made findings on the decision factors in accordance with the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP). Based on the results of these findings, it has been determined that the project is consistent with the MCP because it serves a higher public purpose as an expansion of the port and benefits the economic development of Hancock County.**
- **Staff requests a motion that the Commission recommend to the Executive Director:**
  - **Approval of the Requested Variance**
  - **Approval of the Coastal Zone Consistency Request**



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**Request for Permit by:  
Huntington Ingalls Industries  
DMR22-000102**

- **Location: 1000 Jerry St. Pe' Highway, Pascagoula Bay, Pascagoula, Jackson County, MS.**
- **Use District: (I) Industrial Development Use District**
- **Agent: Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc.**

# Project Description

The applicant is proposing continual maintenance dredging of:

- East Bank Docks to -38 ft MLW
- West Bank Launch Pit to a depth of -74 ft MLW
- West Bank Old Launch Grid to -38 ft MLW
- East Bank Sonar Pit to -55 ft MLW
- all other locations to -38 ft MLW

The applicant is proposing new dredging/deepening of:

- West Bank Sonar Pit from -50ft MLW to -55ft MLW

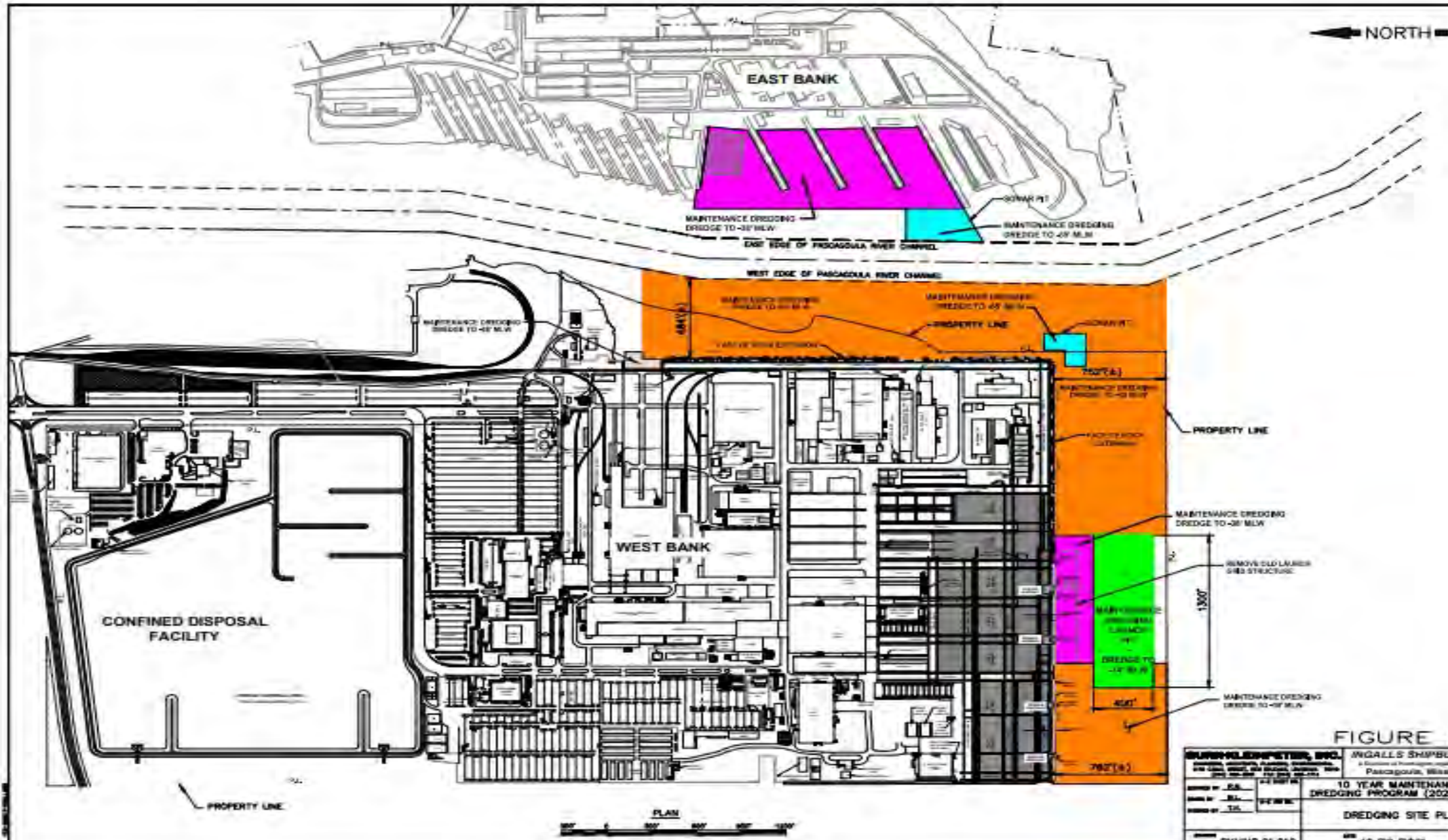
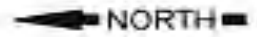


- LEGEND:
- MAINTENANCE DREDGING AREA
  - NEW AREAS FOR MAINTENANCE DREDGING
  - CHANGE IN MAINTENANCE DREDGE DEPTH

**FIGURE 1**

<b>BURKLEIMPETER, INC.</b> SURVEYING, ENGINEERING, AND CONSULTING SERVICES 1000 W. GULF BLVD., SUITE 200 PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI 39380		<b>HUNTINGTON WILCOX &amp; ASSOCIATES, INC.</b> INDUSTRIAL SERVICES PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI	
PROJECT NO. <b>21-012</b>	DATE <b>10/29/2021</b>	<b>10 YEAR MAINTENANCE DREDGING PROGRAM (2022-2032)</b>	
<b>VICINITY MAP</b>			
PROJECT NO. <b>BKJNO.21.012</b>	DATE <b>10/29/2021</b>	PAGE <b>1</b>	





**FIGURE 2**

<b>SHUP-LEMPETER, INC.</b> A Division of Pasco & Sons, Inc. Pasco, Washington		<b>INGALLS SHIPBUILDING</b> A Division of Pasco & Sons, Inc. Pasco, Washington	
PROJECT NO. 21.012		DATE 10/29/2021	
DRAWN BY: [Name]		CHECKED BY: [Name]	
SCALE: AS SHOWN		PROJECT: 10 YEAR MAINTENANCE DREDGING PROGRAM (2022-2032)	
SHEET NO. 2		DREDGING SITE PLAN	



## Applicable Decision Factors

- **Variance to the MS Coastal Program...**
  - **Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 117.04**
    - The dredging/excavation process must avoid creating sinks or sumps. Dredging depth is limited to that of the parent body of water (navigational depth of adjacent waterway)
  - **This variance request was justified under Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 117.04**
    - The impacts on coastal wetlands will be no worse than if the requirements were followed

# Applicable Decision Factors

continued

- **Comments...**
  - **Public Notice**
    - Notification of this project appeared in *The Sun Herald* on April 24, May 1, and May 8, 2022
    - Notification was also posted on the MDMR web site May 5, 2022 through May 9, 2022
      - No public comments have been received to date
  - **MDEQ: No comments**
  - **MDAH: No objections**
  - **MDWFP: No comments**
  - **MS SOS: No objection other than dredged material should not enter PTT**

# Recommendation

- **The staff of the Department of Marine Resources has conducted a thorough evaluation of the project and has made findings on the decision factors in accordance with the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP). Based on the results of these findings, it has been determined that the project is consistent with the MCP because it serves a higher public purpose by allowing the Hll Pascagoula facility to continually maintenance dredge specific areas to certain specific depths needed to build Naval, Merchant Marine, and commercial vessels.**
- **Staff requests a motion that the Commission recommend to the Executive Director:**
  - **Approval of the Requested Variance**
  - **Approval of the Permit as Requested**
  - **With the condition that the applicant be required to use a MDMR approved Beneficial Use Site (if a site is available and material is suitable) in accordance with MS Code § 49-27-61**





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**Certificate of Exclusion by:  
Jackson County Port Authority  
DMR22-000077**

- **Location: Pascagoula Lower Sound and Bayou Casotte navigation channels , Jackson County, MS**
- **Use District: (S5) Navigation Channel Use District**
- **Agent: Anchor QEA**



# Project Description

- **Dredging**
  - Widening of navigation channel to the west by 100'
  - Dredge Length: approximately 7.2 miles (38,200 LF)
  - Proposed depth: 42' below MLW with -2' of overdredge and -2' of advanced maintenance
  - Approximately 3.4 million cubic yards of material will be removed

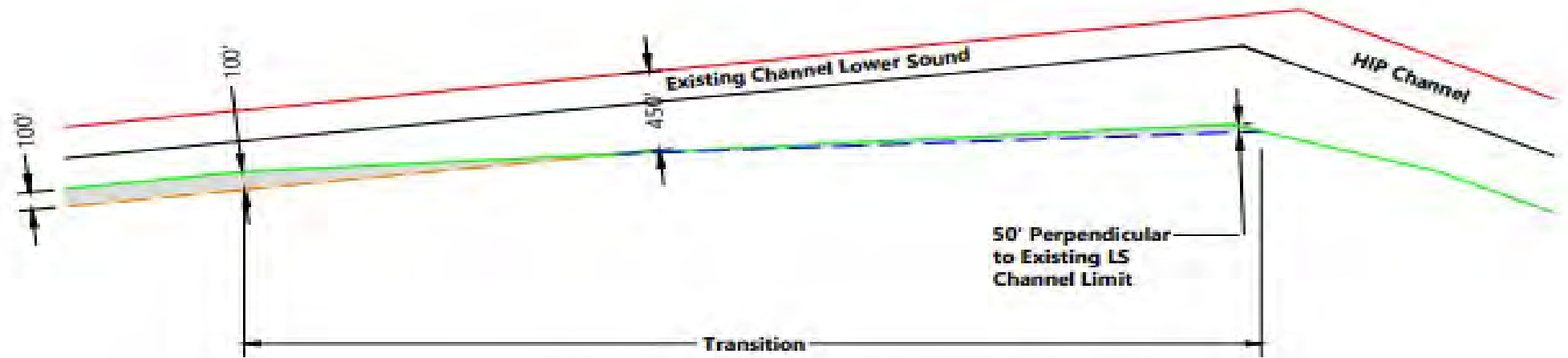
The applicant has justified these variance requests under Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 118.01 by stating “The impacts on coastal wetlands will be no worse than if the guidelines were followed”.



Figure 1

Proposed Channel Widening Alternatives, Bayou Bridge/Waters Improvement Project





**SOURCE:** Channel Limits provided by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Aerial from Bing maps.  
**HORIZONTAL DATUM:** Mississippi State Plane, East Zone, NAD83, U.S. Survey Feet.

**LEGEND:**

- East Limits of Channel
- West Limits of Channel
- - - Proposed Bend Easing
- Proposed 100-foot Sound Widening to the West of the Existing Channel
- Channel Improvements



Project Name: CAS00002219 100' WMA | Date: 08/20/2024  
 Project ID: 00000000 | Report Category: General Permittance/Channel Plan | Drawing Number: 0000000000



**Figure 2**  
**Proposed Bend Easing**  
 Proposed Channel Widening Alternatives  
 Bayou Casote Harbor Improvement Project

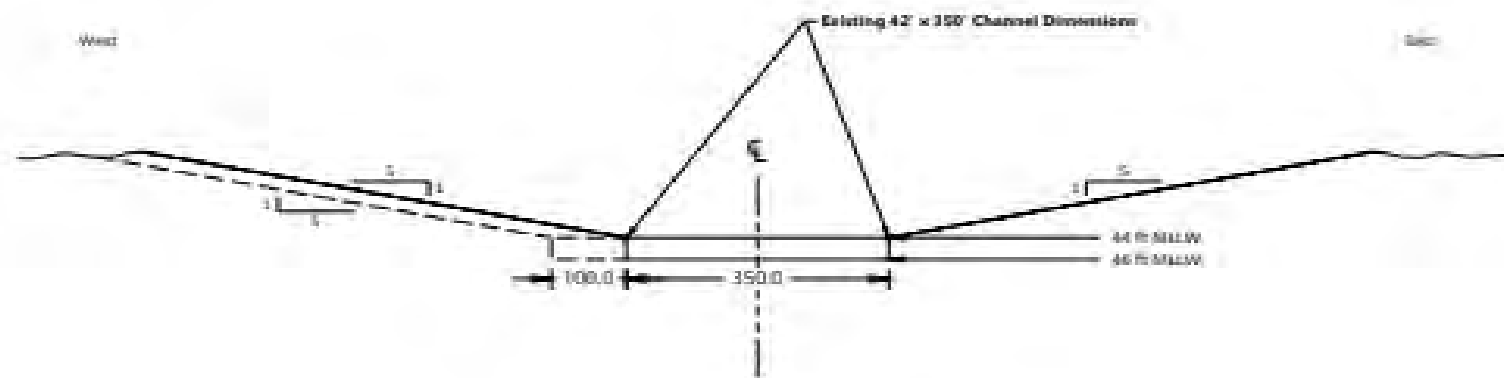


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**Figure 4**  
**Proposed Bayou Casotte Widening Alternatives**  
 Proposed Channel Widening Alternatives  
 Bayou Casotte Harbor Improvement Project





SOURCE: Channel limits provided by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Aerial from Bing maps.  
 HORIZONTAL DATUM: Mississippi State Plane, East Zone, NAD83, U.S. Survey Feet

**LEGEND**

- Existing Channel
- - - Proposed 100' Widening to the West of the Existing Channel



## Applicable Decision Factors

- **Variance to the MS Coastal Program...**
  - **Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 117.04**
    - The dredging/excavation process must avoid creating sinks or sumps. Dredging depth is limited to that of the parent body of water (navigational depth of adjacent waterway)
  - **This variance request was justified under Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 118.01**
    - The impacts on coastal wetlands will be no worse than if the requirements were followed



# Public and Agency Notification

- **Comments...**
  - **Public Notice**
    - Notification of this project appeared in *The Sun Herald* and *MS Press* on April 3, 10, and 17, 2022
    - Notification was also posted to the MDMR website from April 30 until May 9, 2022.
  - **No public comments were received**
  - **MS DEQ: Currently reviewing the project**
  - **MS DAH: No objections**
  - **MS DWFP: No comments**
  - **MS SOS: No objection provided the dredge material does not enter PTT areas outside designated placement areas**

# Recommendation

- The staff of the Department of Marine Resources has conducted a thorough evaluation of the projects and has made findings on the decision factors in accordance with the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP). Based on the results of these findings, it has been determined that the project is consistent with the MCP because the project serves a higher public purpose by improving shipping transit conditions and safety of port operations and those industries that utilize Bayou Casotte.
- Staff requests a motion that the Commission recommend to the Executive Director:
  - Approval of the Requested Variance
  - Approval of the project as proposed through issuance of a Certificate of Exclusion
  - With the condition that the applicant be required to use a MDMR approved Beneficial Use Site (if a site is available and material is suitable) in accordance with MS Code § 49-27-61





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**Request for Permit by:  
Harrison County Sand Beach Authority  
DMR22-000072**

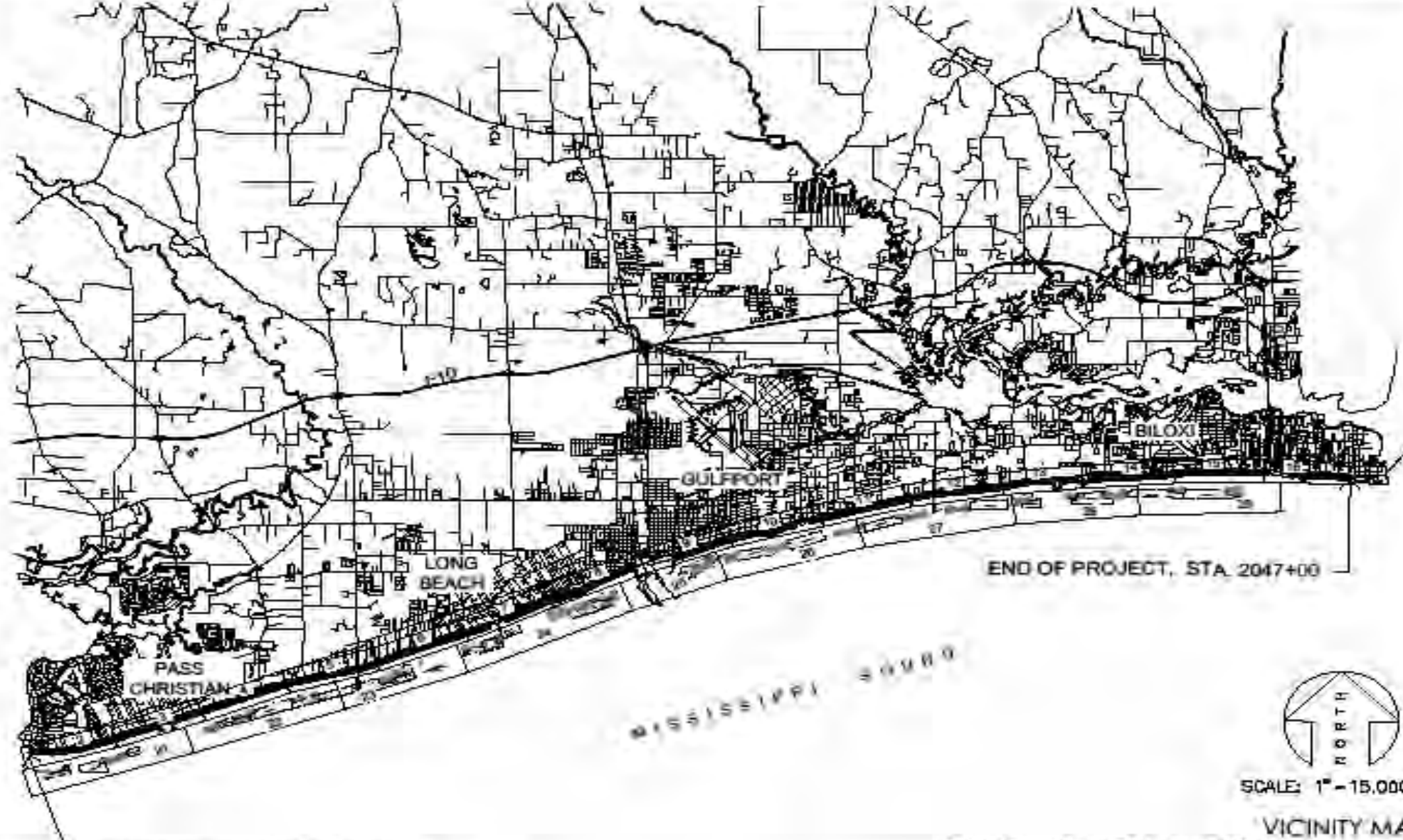
- **Location: Mississippi Sound**
  - **Henderson Point to the I-110 Loop in Biloxi**
- **Use District: (G) General Use District and (C) Commercial Fishing and Recreational Marinas**
- **Agent: BMI Environmental Services, LLC**

# Project Description

- **Dimensions of the Fill Area**
  - 24.59 miles in length and 250 feet in width from the existing seawall
- **Material for renourishment**
  - Up to 22 borrow pits
    - 1,800 to 2,279 feet from the seawall
    - 18.66 acres to 103.26 acres in size
    - 9-16 feet below MLW in depth
- **Repair outfall structures**
  - 183 outfall pipes
    - Range in diameter from 18 to 36 inches
    - Average length is 250 feet
  - 11 outfall channels
    - Range in width from 5 to 35 feet
- **Requesting a 10-year permit for maintenance**



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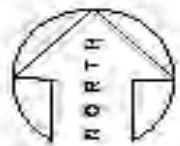


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**BROWN, MITCHELL  
& ALEXANDER, INC.**  
CONSULTING ENGINEERS

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SCALE: 1" = 15,000'

VICINITY MAP  
**SAND BEACH RENOURISHMENT**  
HARRISON COUNTY SAND BEACH DEPARTMENT  
HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

SHEET 1 OF 31

# Applicable Decision Factors

- **Variance to the MS Coastal Program...**
  - **Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 114.01**
    - Permanent filling of coastal wetlands below the mean high tide line because of potential adverse and cumulative environmental impacts is not authorized
  - **Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 117.04**
    - The dredging/excavation process must avoid creating sinks or sumps. Dredging depth is limited to that of the parent body of water (navigational depth of adjacent waterway)
  - **These variance requests were justified under Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 118.04**
    - The activity requires a waterfront location, there is a significant public benefit in the activity, and a public hearing was held (March 16, 2022)



# Applicable Decision Factors

continued

- **Comments...**
  - **Public Notice**
    - Notification of the project appeared in the *Sun Herald* on March 6, March 13, and March 20, 2022.
    - Notification was also posted to the MDMR website from March 8 until April 7, 2022.
      - No public comments were received
  - **Public Hearing was held on March 16, 2022**
    - No public comments were received
  - **MDEQ: No comments**
  - **MDAH: No objections if the seawall is not affected**
  - **MDWFP: No comments**
  - **MS SOS: Project is authorized**

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# Recommendation

- The staff of the Department of Marine Resources has conducted a thorough evaluation of the project and has made findings on the decision factors in accordance with the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP). Based on the results of these findings, it has been determined that the project is consistent with the MCP because it serves a higher public purpose by providing protection of public roadways and shoreline protection structures, and increasing public access to Coastal Wetlands for recreational activities.
- Staff requests a motion that the Commission recommend to the Executive Director:
  - Approve the Requested Variances
  - Approve the Permit as Requested



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**Request for Permit by:  
Mississippi Department of Marine Resources  
Permit: DMR22-000080**

- **Location: St. Louis Bay in Pass Christian**
- **Use District: (G) General Use District**
- **Agent: The Nature Conservancy**

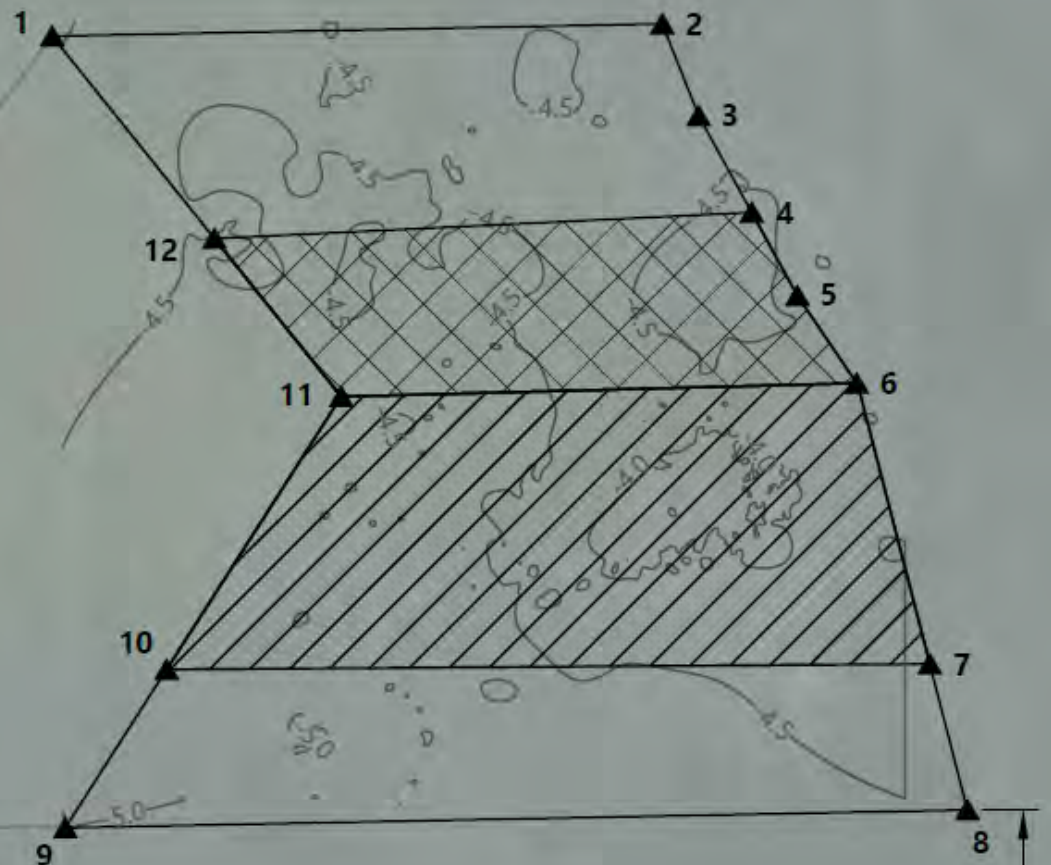
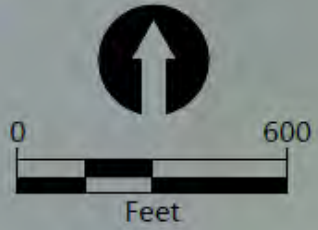


# Project Description

- **Creation of Artificial Oyster Reef**
  - Up to 57.5 acres
  - Maintaining 2' minimum clearance below Mean Lower Low Water
  - Material: limestone, crushed concrete, oyster shell or a combination thereof







Reef Control Points		
No.	Easting (ft)	Northing (ft)
1	839331.6	308902.5
2	840688.6	308930.0
3	840769.2	308725.7
4	840887.4	308510.8
5	840989.0	308326.0
6	841121.0	308131.4
7	841283.5	307507.2
8	841367.2	307182.7
9	839360.7	307143.1
10	839585.9	307494.9
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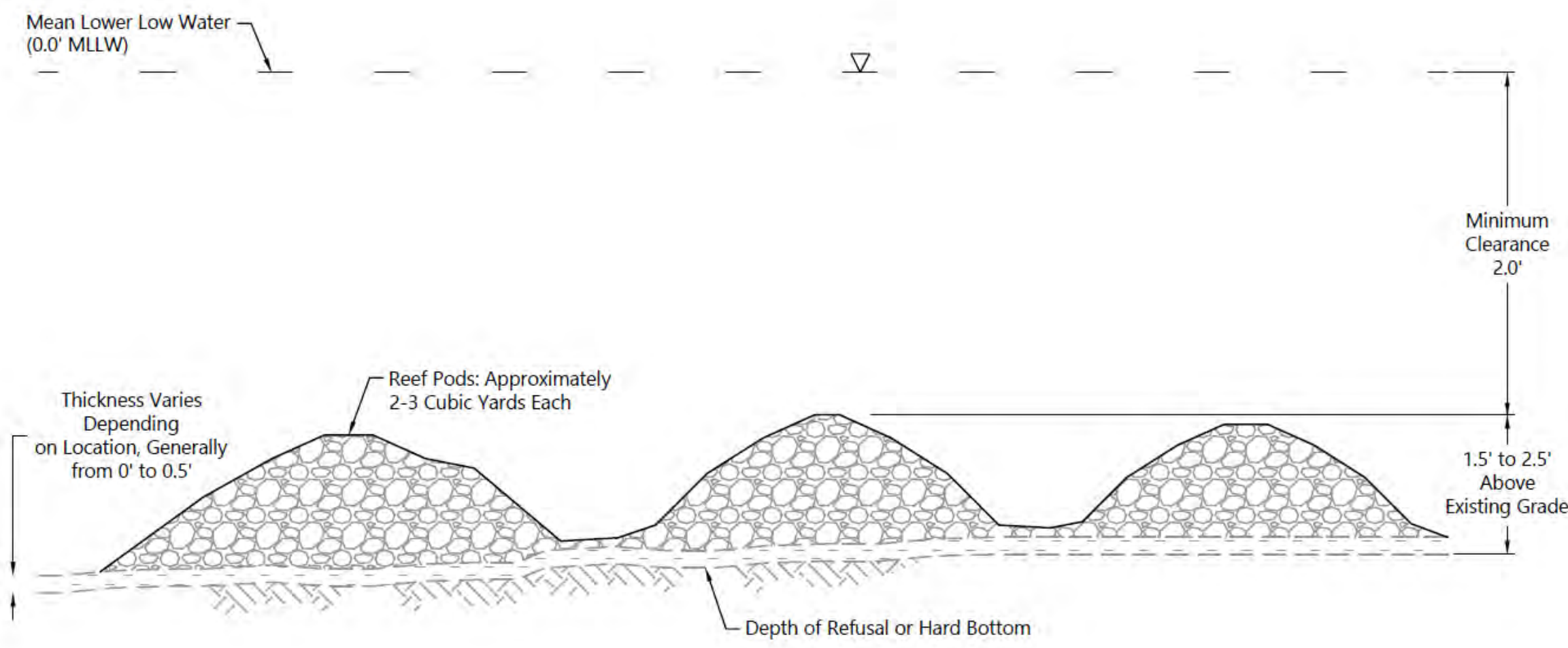
Existing Reefs

St. Louis Bay

541'

Federal Navigation Channel





**Typical Reef Pod Detail**  
Not to Scale

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- **Variance to the MS Coastal Program...**
  - **Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 114.01**
    - Permanent filling of coastal wetlands below the mean high tide line because of potential adverse and cumulative environmental impacts is not authorized
  - **This variance request was justified under Miss. Admin. Code Title 22, Part 23, Chapter 8, Section 118.01**
    - The impacts to Coastal Wetlands would be no worse than if the requirements were followed.

# Applicable Decision Factors

continued

- **Coastal Wetlands Use Plan change...**
  - **The applicant is requesting a change to the Coastal Wetlands Use Plan from a G (General Use) classification to a S-6 (Special Use – Restoration and enhancement areas)**



# Applicable Decision Factors

continued

- **Comments...**

- Notification of the project appeared in *The Sun Herald* on March 20, March 27, and April 3, 2022.
- Notification was also posted to the MDMR website on March 15
  - No public comments were received
- **MDEQ: No Comments**
- **MDAH: No Objection**
- **MS DWFP: No Comments**
- **MS SOS: To the extent that any authorization from the Secretary of State is required to proceed, such is hereby given.**

# Recommendation

- The staff of the Department of Marine Resources has conducted a thorough evaluation of the project and has made findings on the decision factors in accordance with the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP). Based on the results of these findings, it has been determined that the project is consistent with the MCP because the project serves a higher public purpose.
- Staff requests a motion that the Commission recommend to the Executive Director:
  - Approval of the Requested Variance
  - Approval of the Requested Use Plan Change
  - Approval of the Requested Permit



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# Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

Agency Financial Results  
as of April 30, 2022

Key Metrics:

- State Revenue of \$5.0M
- Agency Revenue of \$21.9M
- State Net Income of (\$434K)
- Agency Net Income of (\$1.5M)

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES**

**Income Statement - Fiscal Year 2022**

As of April 30, 2022

	State	Federal : GOMESA PHII: NFWF:	Operating Subtotal	Tidelands	Total DMR
<b>Revenue:</b>					
Transfer in from Other Governments	58,518	12,460	70,978	-	70,978
Off-road Fuel Tax	3,050,000	-	3,050,000	-	3,050,000
Federal/NonFederal Grants	266,494	2,915,272	3,181,767	-	3,181,767
Sales Revenue	910,061	-	910,061	320	910,381
Indirect Cost Recovery	468,720	-	468,720	-	468,720
Other Revenue	326,329	2,621,351	2,947,680	11,343,342	14,291,022
<b>Current Budget Year Revenue:</b>	<b>5,080,123</b>	<b>5,549,083</b>	<b>10,629,206</b>	<b>11,343,662</b>	<b>21,972,868</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Salaries, Wages, Fringe	4,402,561	2,607,145	7,009,706	758,106	7,767,811
Travel	13,117	23,882	36,999	17,960	54,958
Contractual Services	685,890	1,590,630	2,276,520	576,863	2,853,383
Commodities	299,929	1,159,556	1,459,484	112,534	1,572,019
Other than Equipment	-	8,555	8,555	-	8,555
Equipment	95,476	244,733	340,208	43,605	383,813
Vehicles	-	6,500	6,500	-	6,500
Subsidies, Loans, and Grants	17,884	7,947,165	7,965,049	2,910,567	10,875,617
<b>Current Budget Year Expenditures:</b>	<b>5,514,856</b>	<b>13,588,165</b>	<b>19,103,021</b>	<b>4,419,635</b>	<b>23,522,656</b>
<b>Current Budget Year Net Income/(Loss):</b>	<b>\$ (434,733)</b>	<b>\$ (8,039,082)</b>	<b>\$ (8,473,815)</b>	<b>\$ 6,924,027</b>	<b>\$ (1,549,788)</b>

# Financial Budget Comparison

- After ten months of Fiscal Year 2022:

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES**  
**2022 Budget Comparison**  
**As of April 30, 2022**

	<i>Actual Year to Date Expenditures</i>			<i>Budget Year Totals</i>			<i>Percent Remaining</i>		
	<b>Operating</b>	<b>Tidelands</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Operating</b>	<b>Tidelands</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Operating</b>	<b>Tidelands</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>									
Salaries, Wages, Fringe	\$ 7,009,706	\$ 758,106	\$ 7,767,811	\$ 11,407,393	\$ 1,054,140	\$ 12,461,533	38.6%	28.1%	37.7%
Travel	36,999	17,960	54,958	158,996	25,000	183,996	76.7%	28.2%	70.1%
Contractual Services	2,276,520	576,863	2,853,383	7,438,245	1,651,000	9,089,245	69.4%	65.1%	68.6%
Commodities	1,459,484	112,534	1,572,019	3,009,942	360,000	3,369,942	51.5%	68.7%	53.4%
Other than Equipment	8,555	-	8,555	8,555	-	8,555	0.0%	-	0.0%
Equipment	340,208	43,605	383,813	626,857	125,000	751,857	45.7%	65.1%	49.0%
Vehicles	6,500	-	6,500	121,500	250,000	371,500	94.7%	0.0%	98.3%
Wireless Devices	-	-	-	6,250	-	6,250	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Subsidies, Loans, and Grants	7,965,049	2,910,567	10,875,617	73,575,817	8,761,357	82,337,174	89.2%	66.8%	86.8%
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$ 19,103,021</b>	<b>\$ 4,419,635</b>	<b>\$ 23,522,656</b>	<b>\$ 96,353,555</b>	<b>\$ 12,226,497</b>	<b>\$ 108,580,052</b>	<b>80.2%</b>	<b>63.9%</b>	<b>78.3%</b>

- Operating Funds have 80.2% of Budget remaining
- Tidelands Trust Fund has 63.9% of Budget remaining





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# Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources

May 17, 2022



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# Title 22 Part 4 – Rules and Regulations for Taking and Processing of Saltwater Crabs in the State of Mississippi Final Adoption

Jason Saucier

May 17, 2022

# Notice of Intent

On February 15, 2022, the Commission recommended to the Executive Director that the new format and changes to Title 22, Parts 4 and 21 be sent to the Secretary of State's Office for Notice of Intent.

Executive Director approved the recommendation, and the Notice of Intent for proposed regulation was filed with the SOS's office on February 17, 2022.



# Publication of Proposed Regulation

- Notice of the proposed regulation was published in the Sun Herald on March 1, 2022.
- Notice of the proposed regulation was also posted on the MDMR website on February 25, 2022.

Mississippi Secretary of State  
SOS AFA Form 001

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING**

AGENCY NAME Mississippi Department of Marine Resources	CONTACT PERSON T.J. Moran	TELEPHONE NUMBER (228) 524-3434
ADDRESS 1141 Bayview Ave. Biloxi, MS 39530	CITY Biloxi	STATE MS
EMAIL t.moran@dmr.ms.gov	SUBMIT DATE 2/3/2022	DATE OF RULES 2/23/2022

Short explanation of rule/amendment/ repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: TITLE 22 - MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PARTS 4 AND 21 RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE TAKING AND PROCESSING OF SALTYWATER CRABS IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, combined with additional regulations, added definitions pertaining to crab harvest and wholesale dealers, added rule for wholesale dealers, added coordinates for water crab sanctuary, revised language for crab product recalls, fields, oyster & shellfish harvesting devices, and reworded language pertaining to U.S. guidelines.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Mississippi Code Ann. § 49-15-15, AFA, § 7 & 43-4-131 et seq.

(If all rules amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Title 22, Parts 4 and 21, (last update summary document) (attached)

**ORAL PROCEEDING:**

An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on: Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a proponent at least 30 days prior to the date of the oral proceeding. The written request shall be submitted to the Secretary of State at the address set forth in this notice or the office of the Secretary of State. The request shall include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the proponent. The request shall also include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the agency party you represent. At any time after the written request is received, you may submit a public comment period, which shall include a list of comments, date, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Economic impact statement not required for this rule.  Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
<input type="checkbox"/> Original filing <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect for _____ days Effective date: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Immediately upon filing Other (specify): _____	Action proposed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New rule(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment to existing rule(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Repeal of existing rule(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Adoptive by reference Proposed final effective date: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 days after filing <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): 4/21/2022	Date Proposed Rule Filed: Action taken: <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted with no changes in text <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted with changes <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted by reference <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn <input type="checkbox"/> Repeal/abolished as proposed Effective date: <input type="checkbox"/> 30 days after filing <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Joe Spraggins Executive Director  
Signature of person authorized to file rules: *Joe Spraggins 2/17/22*

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The entire text of the Proposed Rule (including the text of any rule being amended or changed) is attached.

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Celebrate the Gulf  
Marine Education Festival | April 2

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RECENT NEWS  
Recruitment season for Gulp Tiggerfish is open March 1  
MACMR to meet Tuesday, February 15  
MDMR to conduct prescribed burn on Deer Island Coastal Preserve

PUBLIC NOTICES  
Title 22 Part 4 - Proposed Change  
REGULATIONS FOR THE TAKING AND PROCESSING OF SALTYWATER CRABS IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, combined with additional regulations, added definitions pertaining to crab harvest and wholesale dealers, added rule for wholesale dealers, added coordinates for water crab sanctuary, revised language for crab product recalls, fields, oyster & shellfish harvesting devices, and reworded language pertaining to U.S. guidelines.  
LEGAL NOTICE - Order Opening Commercial Season Seams

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**Title 22 Part 4 - Proposed Changes**  
Public Notices / February 25, 2022

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) does hereby give public notice that on February 15, 2022 at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources (MACMR), the Commission recommended approval of and the Executive Director approved a Notice of Intent to update, modify and change below listed sections of Title 22 Part 04 Rules and Regulations for Taking Crabs in the State of Mississippi and Title 22 Part 21 Rules and Regulations for the Processing of Saltywater Crabs in the State of Mississippi. Said Notice of Intent was filed with the Mississippi Secretary of State's office on February 18, 2021. A complete copy of Title 22 Parts 04 and 21 and the proposed changes are available at [www.dmr.ms.gov](http://www.dmr.ms.gov). Public comments on the proposed regulation changes will be accepted through Thursday, March 17, 2022. All comments should be mailed to the MDMR, Attn: Jason Saucier, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530 or emailed to: Jason Saucier at [publiccomments@dmr.ms.gov](mailto:publiccomments@dmr.ms.gov) and delivered by 5:00 PM on March 17, 2022.

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal:  
TITLE 22 - MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PARTS 4 AND 21 RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE TAKING AND PROCESSING OF SALTYWATER CRABS IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, combined with additional regulations, added definitions pertaining to crab harvest and wholesale dealers, added rule for wholesale dealers, added coordinates for water crab sanctuary

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Attention: Jennifer Wilder  
DEPT OF MARINE RESOURCES  
1141 BAYVIEW AVENUE  
SUITE 101  
BILOXI, MS 39530

**Public Notice:**  
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Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal:  
TITLE 22 - MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PARTS 4 AND 21 RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE TAKING AND PROCESSING OF SALTYWATER CRABS IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, combined with additional regulations, added definitions pertaining to crab harvest and wholesale dealers, added rule for wholesale dealers, added coordinates for water crab sanctuary, revised language for crab product recalls, fields, oyster & shellfish harvesting devices, and reworded language pertaining to U.S. guidelines.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF HARRISON

Before me, the undersigned Notary of Dallas County, Texas personally appeared Kierann Leenerts, who, being by me first duly sworn, did depose and say that she is a clerk of the Sun Herald, a daily newspaper published in the city of Gulfport, in Harrison County, Mississippi and the publication of the notice, a copy of which is hereto attached, has been made in said paper in the issue (s) of:

No. of Insertions: 1  
Beginning Issue of: 03/01/2022  
Ending Issue of: 03/01/2022

Affidavit further states on oath that said newspaper has been established and published continuously in said county for a period of more than twelve months next prior to the first publication of said notice.

*Stefani Beard*  
Notary Public  
I am to and subscribed before me this 1st day of March in the year of 2022

History Public  
The Sun Herald has been deemed eligible for publishing legal notices in Jackson County to meet the requirements of Miss. Code 1977 Section 13-3-31 and 13-3-32.

STEFANI SCOTT BEARD  
My Notary ID # 191706951  
Expires October 21, 2022

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# Public Comments

- No public comments were received.



# Additional text changes

- Rule 6.1 ~~It shall be unlawful for any~~ Any person, firm, or corporation, or any person in command of or control of any boat with a commercial shrimping license, fish net license or oyster license ~~to fail to immediately return to the water any crabs caught in trawls regardless of the location unless the boat operating the trawl net or dredge has a valid~~ must also possess a commercial crab license to retain crabs for commercial purposes. This does not apply to crabs retained for personal consumption as allowed in statute.

# Final Adoption

The proposed regulation was filed with the SOS's office for Final Adoption on March 28, 2022.

Mississippi Secretary of State SOS APA Form 001

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING**

AGENCY NAME Mississippi Department of Marine Resources		CONTACT PERSON T.J. Moran	TELEPHONE NUMBER (228) 523-4184	
ADDRESS 1141 Bayview Ave.		CITY Biloxi	STATE MS	ZIP 39530
EMAIL Tj.moran@dmr.ms.gov	SUBMIT DATE: 3/28/2022	Name or number of rule(s): Title 22 Parts 4 and 21		

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PARTS 4 & 21 RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE TAKING AND PROCESSING OF SALTWATER CRABS IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, combined Parts 4 & 21 to one regulation, added definitions pertaining to crab harvest and wholesale dealers, added rule for wholesale dealers, added coordinates for winter crab sanctuary description, revised language for crab product recalls, holds, cease & desist orders and impoundments, and reformatted remaining language per S.O.S. guidelines.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Mississippi Code Ann. § 49-15-15, APA, § 25-43-1.101 et seq.

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Title 27, Parts 4 and 21: [see above summary description; complete description attached].

**ORAL PROCEEDING:**

An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_

Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Economic impact statement not required for this rule.  Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

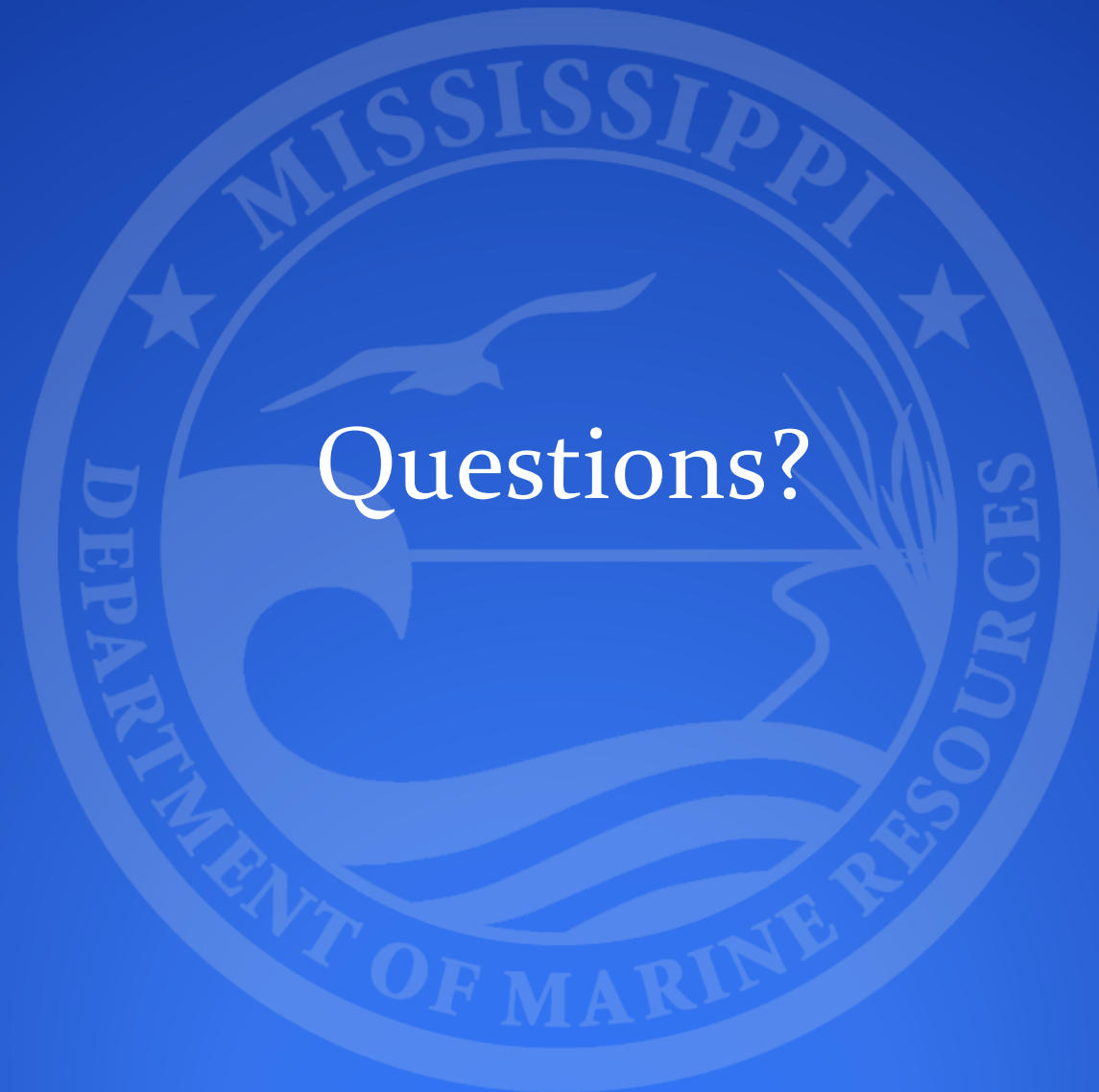
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_____ Original filing _____ Renewal of effectiveness. To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: _____ Immediately upon filing _____ Other (specify): _____	<b>Action proposed:</b> _____ New rule(s) _____ Amendment to existing rule(s) _____ Repeal of existing rule(s) _____ Adoption by reference <b>Proposed final effective date:</b> _____ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____	<b>Date Proposed Rule Filed:</b> <u>2/18/21</u> <b>Action taken:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted with no changes in text <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted with changes <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted by reference <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn <input type="checkbox"/> Repeal adopted as proposed <b>Effective date:</b> _____ 30 days after filing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): <u>5/1/2022</u>

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Joe Spraggins Executive Director

Signature of person authorized to file rules:

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Accepted for filing by _____	Accepted for filing by _____	Accepted for filing by <u>2/23/20 Pom</u>

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.



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# Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources

May 17, 2022



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# Title 22 Part 3 – Rules And Regulations To Size Limits And Bag Limits, Seasons, Selling Of Fish, And Use Of Gear To Harvest Finfish In The State Of Mississippi

Matt Hill

May 17, 2022

# Notice of Intent

On February 15, 2022, the Commission recommended to the Executive Director that the new format and changes to Title 22, Parts 3, 5, and 7 be sent to the Secretary of State's Office for Notice of Intent.

Executive Director approved the recommendation, and the proposed regulation was filed with the SOS's office on February 25, 2022.



# Publication of Proposed Regulation

- Notice of the proposed regulation was published in the Sun Herald on March 4, 2022.
- Notice of the proposed regulation was also posted on the MDMR website on March 1, 2022.



# Title 22 Parts 3, 5 and 7- Proposed Changes

Public Notices / March 1, 2022

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) does hereby give public notice that on February 15, 2022, at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources (MACMR), the Commission recommended approval of and the Executive Director approved a Notice of Intent to update, modify and change below listed sections of Title 22 Parts 3, 5, and 7. Said Notice of Intent was filed with the Mississippi Secretary of State's office on February 25, 2022. A complete copy of Title 22 Part 3 and the proposed changes are available at [www.dmr.ms.gov](http://www.dmr.ms.gov). Public comments on the proposed regulation changes will be accepted through Monday, March 21, 2022. All comments should be mailed to the MDMR, Attn: Trevor Moncrief, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530 or emailed to: [Trevor.Moncrief@dmr.ms.gov](mailto:Trevor.Moncrief@dmr.ms.gov) and delivered by 5:00 PM on March 21, 2022.

Short explanation of rule/amendment/pepal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/pepal:

TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PARTS 3 RULES AND REGULATIONS TO SIZE LIMITS AND BAG LIMITS, SEASONS, SELLING OF FISH, AND USE OF GEAR TO HARVEST FINFISH IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, combined Parts 3, 5 & 7 to one regulation, added definitions pertaining to gears and fishing activities, updated regulations for spotted seatrout endorsement and season, revised language for gear restrictions, and reformatted remaining language per S.O.S. guidelines. Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Mississippi Code Ann. § 49-15-15, APA, § 25-43-1.101 *et seq.*

For a complete description of the proposed changes, download the PDF below.

Mississippi Secretary of State  
SOS APA Form 001

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING**

NOTICE MAIL: Mississippi Department of Marine Resources	CONTACT PERSON: J. Moran	TITLE-GM# NUMBER: 2228-221-4104
ADDRESS: 1141 Bayview Ave.	CITY: Biloxi	STATE: MS ZIP: 39530
EMAIL: <a href="mailto:jdamm@dmr.gov">jdamm@dmr.gov</a>	SUBMIT DATE: 2/24/2022	Reference number of rule(s) Title 22 Part 3, 5 and 7

Who is the author of rule/amendment/pepal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/pepal: TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PARTS 3 RULES AND REGULATIONS TO SIZE LIMITS AND BAG LIMITS, SEASONS, SELLING OF FISH, AND USE OF GEAR TO HARVEST FINFISH IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, combined Parts 3, 5 & 7 to one regulation, added definitions pertaining to gears and fishing activities, updated regulations for spotted seatrout endorsement and season, revised language for gear restrictions, and reformatted remaining language per S.O.S. guidelines. Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Mississippi Code Ann. § 49-15-15, APA, § 25-43-1.101 *et seq.*

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Title 22, Parts 3, 5, and 7. (see also summary description, complete description attached.)

**ORAL PROCEEDING:**

An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: Time: Place:

Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a certified individual, an agency or person (AG or private parties). The written request should be submitted to the appropriate authority at the above address within twenty (20) days of the filing of the notice of proposed rule/amendment/pepal and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request, and if you are a public or private party, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including comments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/pepal may be submitted to the filing authority.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Economic impact statement not required for this rule.  Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
<input type="checkbox"/> Original filing <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal of effectiveness <input type="checkbox"/> To be in effect in _____ days <input type="checkbox"/> Effective date: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Immediately upon filing <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____	Action proposed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment to existing rule(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment to existing rule(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption by reference <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed final effective date: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): 5/31/2022	Date Proposed Rule Filed: Action Taken: <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted with no changes (HEAD) <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted with changes <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted by reference <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn <input type="checkbox"/> Repeal/Adopted as proposal Effective date: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> 30 days after filing <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Vice Spraying Executive Director  
Signature of person authorized to file rules: *Joe Spraying 2/25/22*

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The entire text of the Proposed rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

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**AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION**

Account #	Order Number	Identification	Order PD	Amount	Cols	Depth
36303	22648	Print Legal Ad - PPL006043		\$38.60	1	3.0L

Attention: Jennifer Wilder  
DEPT OF MARINE RESOURCES  
1141 BAYVIEW AVENUE  
SUITE 101  
BILOXI, MS 39530

**NOTICE:**  
The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) does hereby give public notice that on February 15, 2022, at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources (MACMR), the Commission recommended approval of and the Executive Director approved a Notice of Intent to update, modify and change below listed sections of Title 22 Parts 3, 5, and 7. Said Notice of Intent was filed with the Mississippi Secretary of State's office on February 25, 2022. A complete copy of Title 22 Part 3 and the proposed changes are available at [www.dmr.ms.gov](http://www.dmr.ms.gov). Public comments on the proposed regulation changes will be accepted through Monday, March 21, 2022. All comments should be mailed to the MDMR, Attn: Trevor Moncrief, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530 or emailed to: [Trevor.Moncrief@dmr.ms.gov](mailto:Trevor.Moncrief@dmr.ms.gov) and delivered by 5:00 PM on March 21, 2022.

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF HARRISON**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being duly sworn, depose and say that she is a clerk of The Sun Herald, a daily newspaper published in the city of Gulfport, in Harrison County, Mississippi and the publication of the notice, a copy of which hereto attached, has been made in said paper in the issue of \_\_\_\_\_.

No. of Insertions: 1  
Beginning Issue of: 03/04/2022  
Ending Issue of: 03/04/2022

Affidavit further states on oath that said newspaper has been established and published continuously in said county for a period of more than twelve months next prior to the first publication of said notice.

*Stefani Beard*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of March in the year of 2022.

**Stefani Beard**  
Notary Public  
My Notary ID # 191788961  
Expires October 23, 2022.

Extra charge for fast or duplicate affidavits.  
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# Public Comments

- No public comments were received.



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The seal of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is a circular emblem. It features a central illustration of a fish, likely a bluefish, swimming in the water. The fish is depicted in profile, facing left. The water is represented by wavy lines. The seal is surrounded by a circular border containing the text "MISSISSIPPI" at the top and "DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES" at the bottom, separated by two stars.

Questions?

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# Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources

May 17, 2022



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# Changes to Title 22 Part 18 – Rules and Regulations for Special Permits in the State of Mississippi

Jason Saucier

May 17, 2022



# Summary of Changes

- Revised application and reporting requirements
- Revised harvest time restrictions for non-profit harvest permit
- Removed wording that was already included in Mississippi Code. Cited the applicable statutory and regulatory authorities
- Updated the format to “Rules” and “Sources” to conform with the format prescribed by the Secretary of State’s Office
- Added rules for Special Transport Permit

# Substantive Changes – Chapter 3 Conditions Applicable to All Special Permits

Rule 3.5 The taking of threatened or, endangered, or otherwise prohibited species is strictly prohibited, unless proper authority is received from the controlling regulating federal/state agency. A copy of said authority must be submitted to the MDMR along with the initial application of the appropriate permit.

# Substantive Changes – Chapter 5 Non Profit Organization Harvesters Permit

Rule 5.4 Trawling and oyster harvesting is permitted only between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. limited to the hours beginning thirty (30) minutes before legal sunrise and ending thirty (30) minutes after legal sunset on the date that harvest is permitted. In the event of inclement weather an alternate date must be included on the application. Harvest activities must be coordinated with the Office of Marine Fisheries a minimum of one week prior to any harvesting and all harvest activities as regulated under State Statute or Part shall apply.

Rule 5.6 A complete written report of all harvest activities must be submitted on a form provided by the MDMR within 30 days of the expiration date of the permit.



# Substantive Changes – Chapter 08

## Special Transport Permit

### Chapter 08 Special Transport Permit.

100 If any agency, institution, organization, or corporation requests to transport for the purposes of rehabilitation, research or education any live or dead specimen(s) of marine species for which harvest or possession is otherwise prohibited, the initial request must be submitted in writing and the applicant must include the following information on a form provided by the MDMR:

100.01 Name, address, email address and daytime phone number of applicant

100.02 Names of person(s) that will be conducting transport operations under the provisions of the specific permit.

100.03 Registration and/or documentation number(s) of all vehicles or vessels that will be involved in transport activities and name of vessel(s) if applicable.

100.04 A general description of all activities which will be conducted, including a schedule of transport activities and transport methods.

100.05 Species and proposed number of each species to be transported.

101 A complete written report of all transport activities must be submitted on a form provided by the MDMR Office of Marine Fisheries within 30 days following the expiration date of the permit.

# Notice of Intent

- Recommendation to the Executive Director that the new format and changes to Title 22 Part 18 be sent to the Secretary of State's Office for Notice of Intent.



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# Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources

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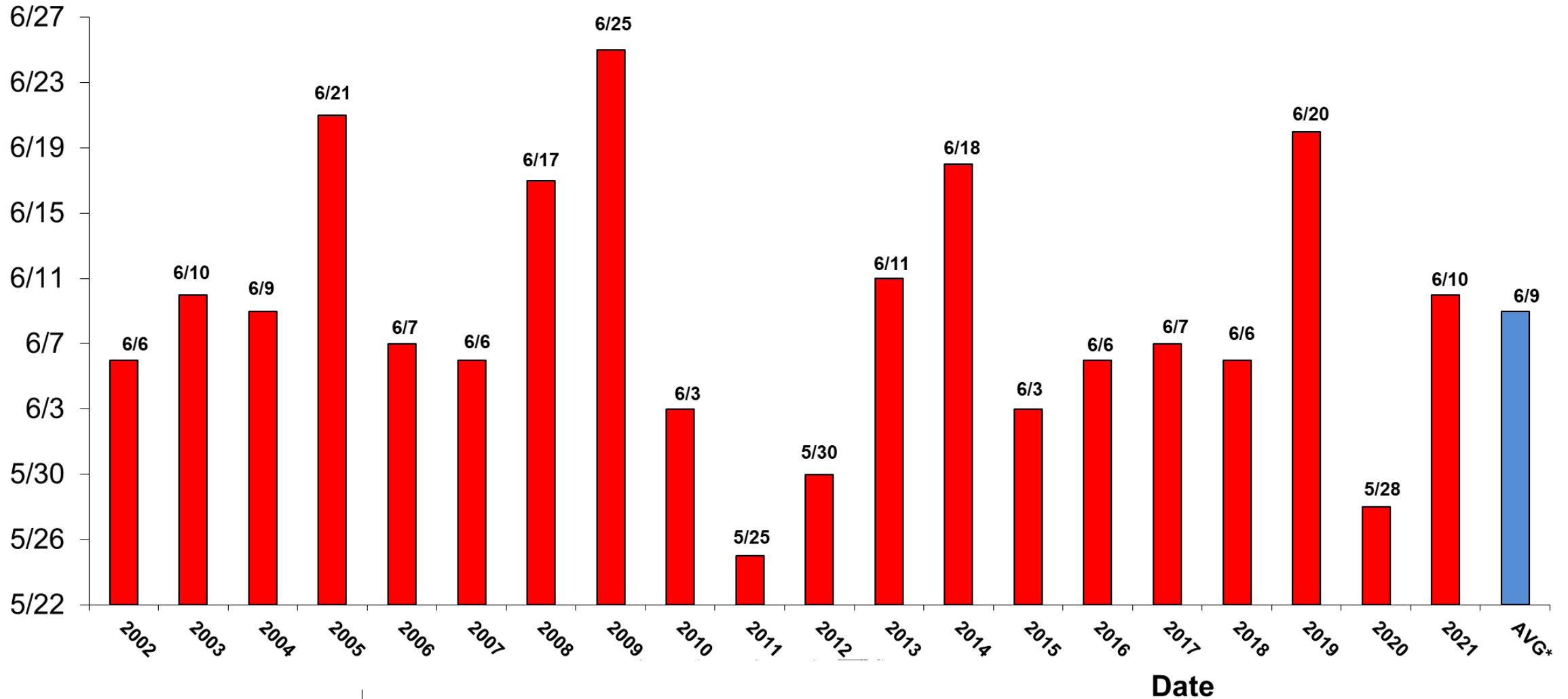
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# 2022 Mississippi Shrimp Season Update

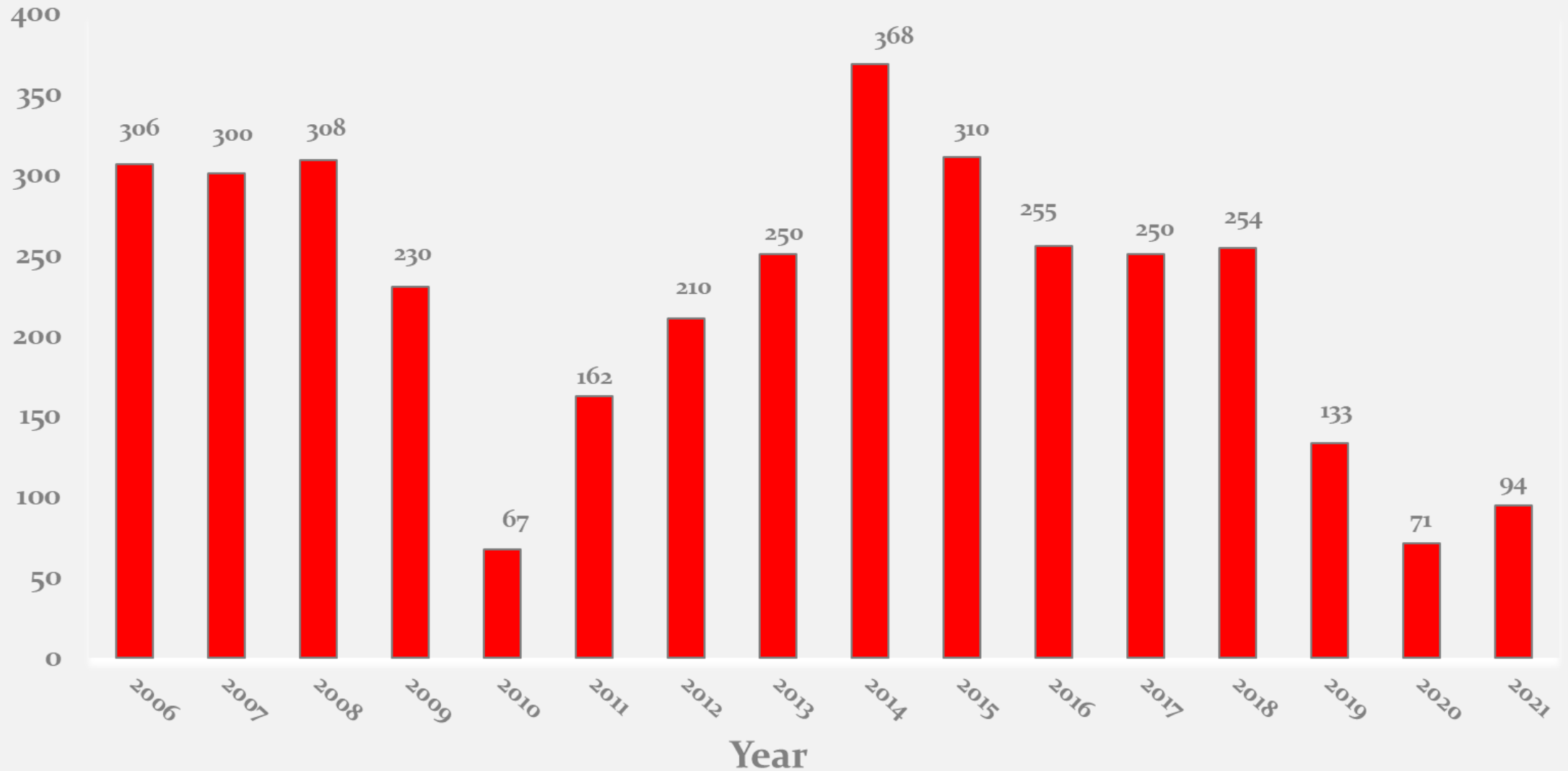
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# Historic Opening Dates of Mississippi Shrimp Season

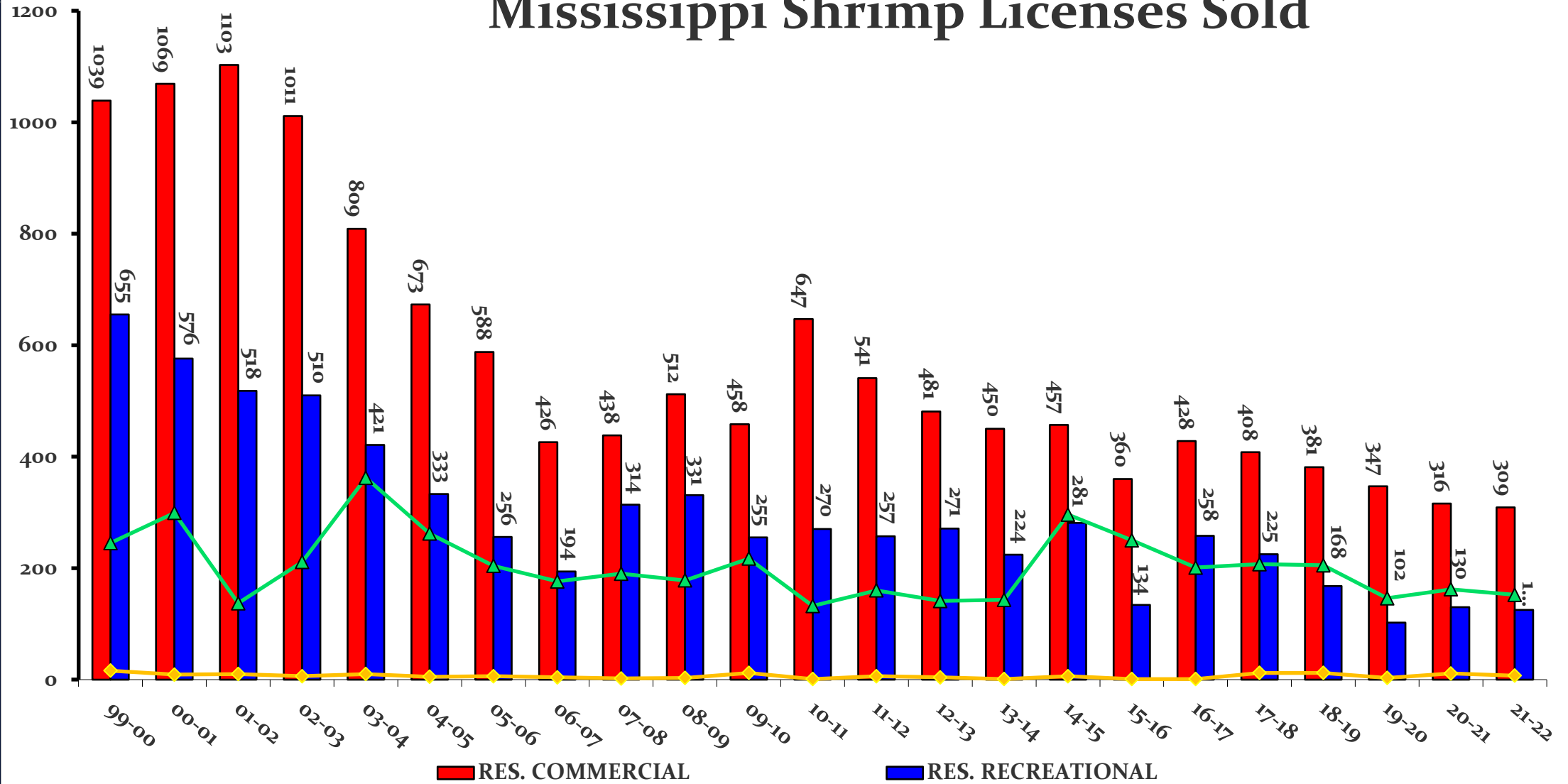


## Number of Shrimp Vessels Counted on Opening Day





# Mississippi Shrimp Licenses Sold

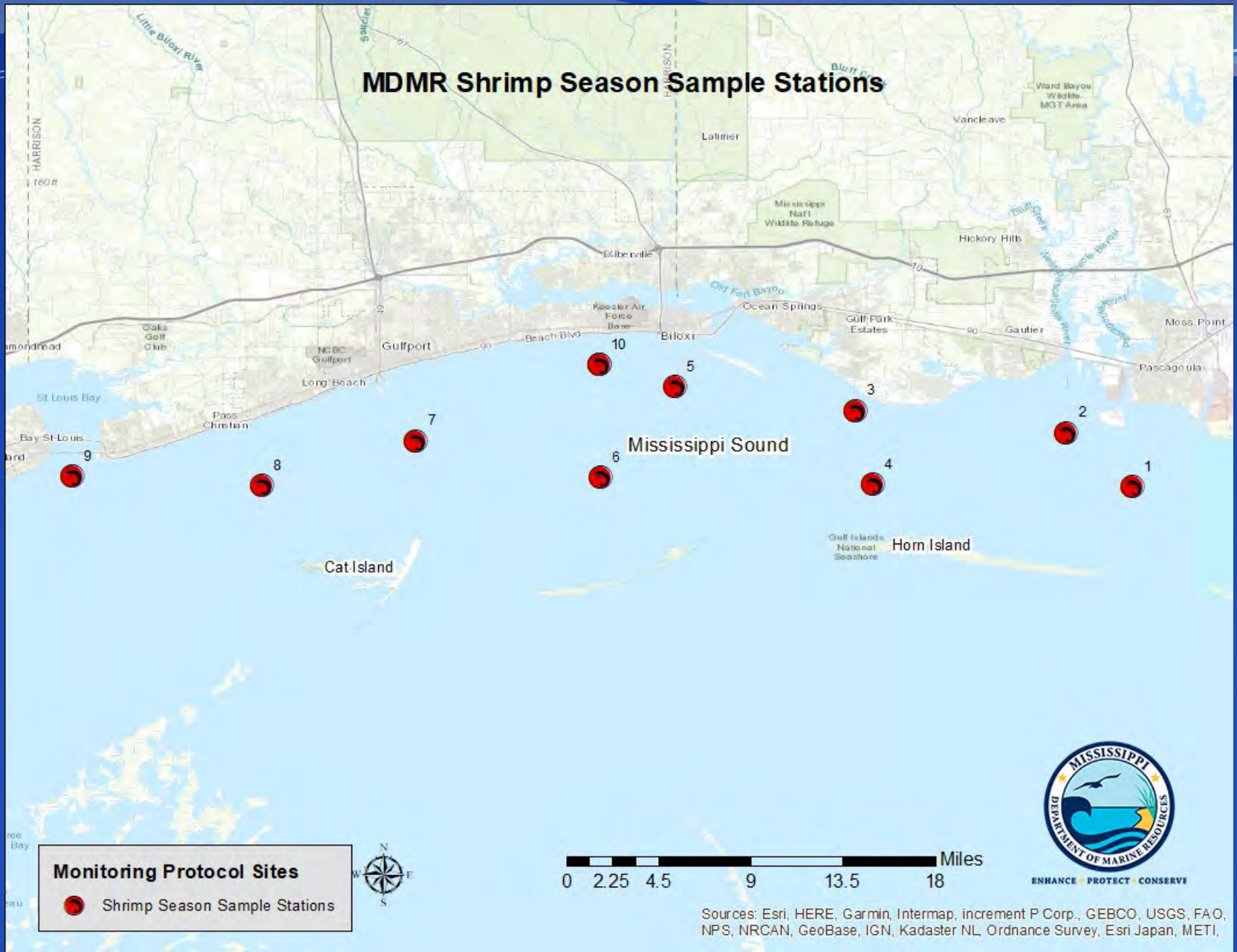


# Mississippi Shrimp Season Opening Sampling

- **Post larval sampling (begins February)**
  - Standardized beam plankton trawl sampling at historical stations
- **April – June juvenile/adult sampling**
  - Standardized 16-foot trawl sampling at historical stations
  - Chart the growth of Brown Shrimp from juveniles to adults
  - Season opens when Brown Shrimp reach legal size of 68 count



# MDMR Shrimp Season Sample Stations





# 2022-2023 Mississippi Shrimp Season Opening

The 2022-2023 shrimp season will be opened  
by the Director when sampling shows  
Brown Shrimp have reached the average of  
68 count per pound.



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# State Saltwater Finfish Records

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# Saltwater Fishing Record (Conventional)

## Rock Hind

*Epinephelus adscensionis*

Old Record: 3 lbs. 9.6 oz.

New Record: 3 lbs. 10.4 oz.

Angler: Trey Tinkle



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# Saltwater Fishing Record (Conventional)

★ Smooth Puffer ★

*Lagocephalus laevigatus*

Old Record: 6 lbs. 6.4 oz.

New Record: 10 lbs. 0.0 oz.

Angler: Phillip Overman



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# Grand Bay NERR Update

NRDA Project Habitat Restoration

Outreach Activities

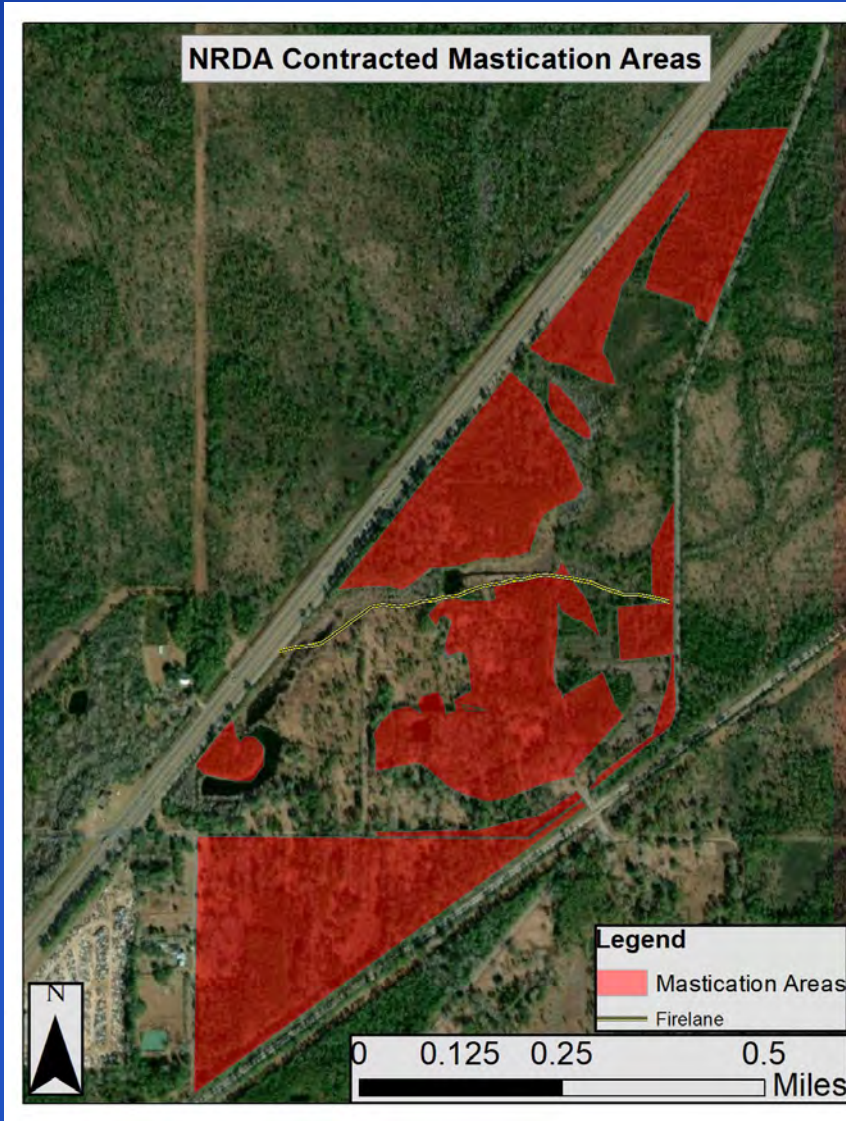
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# NRDA Project Habitat Restoration - Mastication







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## Outreach Activities – January to March 8, 2022

January 19 – NOAA Science Seminar Series:

“Science and So Much More: Putting Science into Practice through the Coastal Training Program”

February 5 – Sparrow Sweep

February 6 – MPB’s Mississippi Roads featured Grand Bay NERR

February 8 – D’Iberville Middle School Field Trip

February 9 – St. Martin Upper Elementary

February 13 – Biloxi Boat Show

February 16 – St. Stanislaus High School Field Trip

February 19 – Polar Paddle

February 22-23 – Batik Art Workshop

February 26 – Field Trip for the University of South Alabama Marine Science Student Association

March 6-11 – Field Trip for Campbellsville University from Kentucky

March 8 – MS Region IV Science & Engineering Fair and Job Shadows







# Outreach Activities – March 12 to beginning of May 2022

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March 12 – Judged the 25th Annual Hurricane Bowl

March 13 – Mobile Boat Show

March 16 – NOAA Science Seminar Series, “Invasive Species Management in the Gulf of Mexico”

March 23 – Public Meeting for the Grand Bay NERR Management Plan Update

March 28 – Infinity Science Center Homeschool Day

April 2 – Celebrate the Gulf Marine Education Festival\*

April 9 – Turtle Identification Workshop

April 12 – 15 – Wetlands Delineation Course

April 14 – MGCCC Jackson County Student Field Trip

April 24 – iNaturalist Field Trip Event

April 22 – Earth Day ‘Paddle the Gulf’ Paddle

April 27 – CHANGES Lunch and Learn

April 28 – USCG MS Area Committee Meeting

April 29 – Ocean Springs High School Field Trip





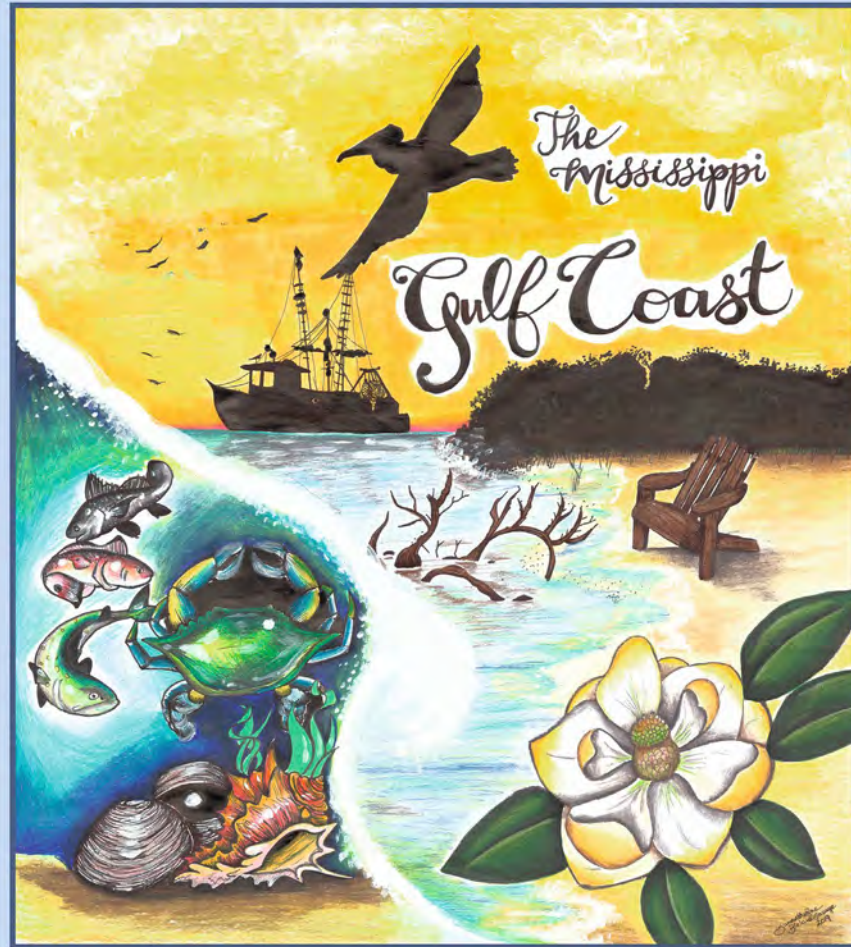


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# Celebrate the Gulf Marine Education Festival

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Poster Contest Winner:  
Samantha Rae Breland,  
Grand Bay, AL



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